

Correctional Health Care Specialist 2 - Mental Health

\$5,605 - \$7,350 Monthly (Range 70) including great benefits!

Agency Information

The Department of Corrections has one opening for a Correctional Health Care Specialist 2 in Mental Health (ARNP or Physician Assistant) at Monroe Correctional Complex in Monroe, WA

Agency Profile:

The Department of Corrections, as a partner in the criminal justice system, enhances public safety, administers criminal sanctions and programs in accordance with the law and provides leadership for the future of corrections in Washington State.

The agency mission is: "To Improve Public Safety."

The Department consists of the Office of the Secretary, Prisons Division, Community Corrections Division, Government, Community Relations & Regulatory Compliance Division, Administrative Services Division, Offender Treatment & Re-Entry Programs Division, and Health Services Department. The Department employs over 8,100 staff and has a biennial budget of approximately \$1.8 billion. For additional information about the Department of Corrections, please visit www.doc.wa.gov.

The Department of Corrections offers a very competitive and comprehensive benefits package including:

- * Outstanding Health, Dental, Vision, Life and Long-term Disability Insurance
- * Paid Vacation, Sick, Military and Civil leave
- * 11 Paid Holidays plus a Personal Holiday
- * Unlimited Promotional Opportunities
- * Loan Repayment Programs
- * Medical and Dependent Flexible Spending Accounts
- * Deferred Compensation Program
- * Enrollment in the WA State Retirement System
- * Employee Assistance Program
- * The ability to make a difference to the people of WA State

For more information please visit: <http://www.doc.wa.gov/jobs/benefitssummary.asp>.

Duties

Utilizes independent practitioner status with prescriptive authority to assess and administer treatment for psychiatric illness of offenders at Washington Corrections Center. Performs comprehensive psychiatric evaluations including detailed history of mental status evaluations on assigned patients. Evaluates available data and orders appropriate laboratory tests. Obtains previous psychiatric records. Prescribes appropriate therapies and follow-up as indicated. Maintains accurate, thorough records via dictation of evaluations and dictated or written progress notes.

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Provides consultation to and coordinates psychiatric care with other mental health and medical professionals. Reviews difficult or complex cases with the consulting psychiatrist. Participate actively in Health Services Unit meetings and committees. Assists in the development of mental health policies, procedures and protocols. Maintains continuing education requirements.

Qualifications

****INCUMBENT IN THIS POSITION MUST HAVE PSYCHIATRIC CERTIFICATION AND PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY****

Graduation from a Physician's Assistant Training program approved by the Washington State Board of Medical Examiners and Certification as a Physician Assistant by the National Commission on Certification of Physician's Assistant will be required.

Note (1): Applicants must include evidence of completion of the above training program and certification at time of application.

Note (2): Individuals appointed after certification must be sponsored by a licensed physician representing the state of Washington and be registered or granted interim approval as a Physician Assistant by the Washington State Board of Medical Examiners prior to performing duties as a Physician Assistant. Permanent appointment will be contingent upon registration by the Washington State Board of Medical Examiners within 90 days following appointment.

OR

Must possess a valid Washington State license to practice as a Registered Nurse, AND, current certification from an approved national certification program (American Nurses Association) verifying completion of an advanced formal education program in the area of specialty, AND, possession of a current designation as an Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner in the state of Washington.

OR

Recent graduates of the formal education program who are awaiting the results of the licensing examination must have a Washington State issued temporary permit. Failure to obtain a license shall result in immediate termination from the position by the appointing authority.

Special Requirements: Must hold unrestricted license to practice as a midlevel practitioner and prescribe scheduled drugs. In addition, employees will be required to maintain CME credits sufficient to maintain license.

Preferred / Desired education: Must complete appropriate training and certification as a PA(C) or ARNP.

Pre-employment process may include drug testing.

Special Notes

In order to be considered for this position, you must complete the entire Application Wizard, however, completion of the Diversity Profile Questionnaire is optional. To ensure you complete the entire application, once in the Application Wizard, scroll to the right of the page and use the arrows to go to additional tabs. Remember to click on "Save" at the bottom of each tab to ensure your entries are saved. Be sure to also unlock your profile and keep your email address and other contact information current.

For further information about managing your application and profile, please refer to "Manage Your Job Applications and Profile" link from the www.careers.wa.gov homepage.

All Department of Corrections' employees are fingerprinted for a criminal history background check. Employees work with offenders in a potentially hazardous setting. Please consider this when deciding whether to apply.

Tuberculosis is a priority health issue for Department of Corrections' employees. Periodic skin tests are required for all health care providers and those who transport known/suspected Tuberculosis patients. Testing is voluntary for all other employees. When positive tests result, further testing and treatment may also be required. Employment is not contingent upon test results.

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This position is included in a Union Shop that requires employees to become members within thirty (30) days of employment.

All DOC facilities are smoke and/or tobacco free.

Other Information

CORE COMPETENCIES FOR ALL EMPLOYEES:

Safety, Treats Others with Respect and Courtesy, Accountability, Judgment and Problem Solving, Leadership, Communication, Relationship Building, Ethics and Integrity.

The State of Washington is an equal opportunity employer. Persons with a disability who need assistance in the application or testing process, or those needing this announcement in an alternative format, may call (360) 664-1960 or toll free (877)664-1960 or Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (360) 664-6211. For questions about this recruitment contact Jamie Robinson at jerobinson@doc1.wa.gov or (253) 680-2763.

How to Apply

For job seekers who are not permanent state of Washington employees:

1. Go to <http://careers.wa.gov/SearchAndApply.htm>.
2. If you are a new user, click on Register Now under the heading: **New Users**. Complete the fields under the **Registration** page. Remember to read and confirm acceptance of the Data Privacy Statement under the **Data Privacy Statement** header. Click Register. You are encouraged to build your profile in the system by clicking Option 1: Build Resume Profile under the header **My Resume**. Returning users can log-in by clicking the Job Seekers Login button.
3. Click on Apply Directly under the heading **My Job Search and Applications**.
4. In the reference code field, enter NB00020364* and click on Start Search.
5. Click on the link Correctional Health Care Specialist 2 – Mental Health, Monroe, WA under the **Job Posting** column heading to view the complete announcement and apply.
6. Click through all the tabs along the top to complete your application and a questionnaire.
7. Attach your current resume through the **Attachments** tab.
8. Submit a cover letter summarizing how your knowledge, skills and abilities meet the minimum qualifications of this position under the **Cover Letter** tab.
9. Your application will not be submitted until you hit the **Submit** button under the **Send Application** tab. Make sure to review all your information as you will not be able to edit your application once it has been submitted.
10. If you would like to see the status of your application, click on View Profile and Application History Statuses and Scores under the **My Job Search and Application** column heading on the **External Job Seeker Start Page**. You will be able to view your questionnaire scores on this page, including the latest status of all your applications.

Help is available

- A users' guide for applying to jobs is available at <http://careers.wa.gov/help/>.
- If you need assistance applying for this job, please call DOP at (360) 664-1960 or 1-877-664-1960 or e-mail Information@dop.wa.gov.

